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REF: PRETORIA 269 AND PREVIOUS.

1. FOLLOWING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES, AND OFFICIALS OF INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, PLANS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED TO LAND THE REMAINING NON-PORTUGUESE ANGOLAN REFUGEES FROM THE SHIP SILVER SKY. APPROXIMATELY 1200 REFUGEES WHO WERE ABLE TO PROVE PORTUGUESE NATIONALITY WERE REPATRIATED TO PORTUGAL IN AN AIRLIFT FROM WINDHOEK EARLIER THIS WEEK. THE REMAINING REFUGEES, MAINLY BLACK ANGOLANS, WILL BE TAKEN FROM SILVER SKY JANUARY 28 TO BE FLOWN IN SA AIR FORCE PLANES TO REFUGEE CAMPS ON ANGOLAN BORDER WITH NAMIBIA WHERE A REPORTED 3000 ANGOLANS ARE
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BEING LOOKED AFTER BY SA DEFENCE FORCE. TWENTY-THREE

FISHING BOATS WHICH ALSO FLED FROM MOCAMEDES TO WALVIS BAY WITH REFUGEES WILL BE ESCORTED TO PORTUGAL BY A HIOSPITAL SHIP SENT BY THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT.

2. IN PARLIAMENT JANUARY 27, MINISTER OF INTERIOR CONNIE MULDER WARNED THAT A FURTHER FLOOD OF REFUGEES COULD BE EXPECTED IF MPLA FORCES CONTINUED THEIR DRIVE SOUTH. SINCE SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR APPROXIMATELY 13,000 REFUGEES CROSSED BORDER FROM ANGOLA AND HAVE COST SAG MORE THAN \$4 MILLION. SAG HAS ALLOWED 1412 OF THESE REFUGEES TO REMAIN IN SOUTH AFRICA AS IMMIGRANTS.
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